

Executive Mansion,

Whereas by the provisions of an Act of Congress entitled "An Act to provide for the disposition of abandoned and useless military reservations," approved July 25, 1884, the President of the United States whenever, in his opinion, "the lands or any portion of them, included within the limits of any military reservation, heretofore or hereafter declared have become or shall become useless for military purposes," is directed to "cause the same, or so much thereof as he may designate, to be placed under the control of the Secretary of the Interior for disposition," as provided for in said Act; and

Whereas the Secretary of War has reported to me, under date of October 21st, 1889, that the Military Reservation of Fort Hays, Kansas, is no longer needed for military purposes: Therefore, I, Benjamin Harrison, President of the United States, do hereby direct that the Military Reservation of Fort Hays, Kansas, being the same as that named in the

report of the Secretary of War hereinbefore mentioned, be placed under the control of the Secretary of the Interior for disposition, as provided for in the said Act of July 5, 1881, it having, in my opinion, become useless for military purposes.

Given under my hand this the
Twenty second day of October, A.D.
1889.

W^m T. ⁷
Harrison

By the President:

W^m G. ^{Major General}
B. C. G.
Major General
Acting Secretary of War.